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SUBJ: US VISIT OF VASILE VOLOSENIUC, JULY 7-16, 1977

1. DURING JUNE 18 MEETING, VASILE VOLOSENIUC, PRESIDENT ROMANIAN BANK OF FOREIGN TRADE AND CHAIRMAN ROMANIAN SIDE OF JOINT ECONOMIC COUNCIL, BRIEFED THE AMBASSADOR ON HIS US TRAVEL PLANS AND PROPOSED POSSIBLE WASHINGTON MEETINGS PRIOR TO OR AFTER JULY 11-12 COUNCIL MEETINGS IN NEW YORK.
2. VOLOSENIUC ADVISED THAT IN ADDITION TO NEW YORK MEETINGS WITH BANKERS AND BUSINESSMEN, HE INTERESTED IN WASHINGTON MEETINGS WITH:  
A) SELECTED CONGRESSMEN (MODELED AFTER SIMILAR MEETINGS OF TWO YEARS AGO)  
B) EXIMBANK - MOORE (NOTE AMBASSADOR WISHES TO BE INCLUDED)  
C) DEPT OF COMMERCE - DAS REICH, DAS MARCUSS
3. VOLOSENIUC SAID HE WOULD SEND MESSAGE ON JUNE 20 TO AMBASSADOR NICOLAE REQUESTING ABOVE MEETINGS BE ARRANGED FOR EITHER JULY 8 OR 13.
4. COMMENT: OF ABOVE MEETINGS, VOLOSENIUC SAID THOSE WITH CONGRESSMEN WAS MOST IMPORTANT. IN RECENT DAYS, VOLOSENIUC AND OTHER GOR OFFICIALS HAVE TAKEN EVERY AVAILABLE OPPORTUNITY TO QUESTION AMBASSADOR AND OTHER EMBOFFS ON OUTLOOK FOR

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MFN EXTENSION. GOR IS OBVIOUSLY VERY MUCH AWARE OF IMPORTANT ROLE PLAYED BY THE CONGRESS IN US-ROMANIAN TRADE RELATIONS. VOLOSENIUC'S DESIRE TO MEET WITH CONGRESSMEN IS LATEST MANIFESTATION OF THIS AWARENESS. EMBASSY FULLY SUPPORTS GOR ATTEMPTS TO BROADEN ITS UNDERSTANDING OF CONGRESSIONAL THINKING. AS DEPT OFFICIALS AWARE, VOLOSENIUC IS CAPABLE, PRAGMATIC BANKER WITH ACCESS TO GOR LEADERSHIP AND IS

ALSO A STUDENT OF US-ROMANIAN AFFAIRS. WE FEEL DEPT SHOULD  
MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ENSURE THAT VOLOSENIUC HAS MEETINGS  
WITH SELECTED CONGRESSMEN, SUCH AS SENATOR RIBICOFF, REPS  
VANI, BINGHAM, ETC.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: REQUEST DEPT COORDINATE WITH AMB.  
NICOLAE PROPOSED WASHINGTON MEETINGS WITH VOLOSENIUC.  
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